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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of Bond et al. :
Serial No.: 09/852,889 : Group Art Unit 1711
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated April 16, 2002, please consider the above-identified application in view of the remarks.

REMARKS

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement under 35 USC 121 indicating that the fiber made out of a composition (Invention I), web (Invention II), and article (Invention III) are each distinct inventions.

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